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 Serial No.: 09/686,581 ) Examiner: Tu T. Nguyen  
 Filing Date: October 11, 2000 ) Our Client ID: 22827  
 Confirmation No.: 4798 ) Our Account No.: 04-1403  
 Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SCANNING PRODUCTS WITH A LIGHT  
 BEAM TO DETECT AND REMOVE IMPURITIES OR IRREGULARITIES IN A  
 CONVEYED STREAM OF THE PRODUCTS

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Fee requirements (if any) have been calculated as shown below:

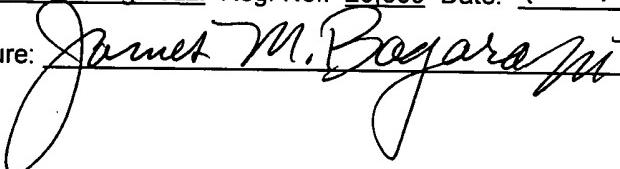
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Sir:

In view of the Examiner's Action of July 14, 2003, please amend the subject application as follows: